

TO: ALL CLUBS

FROM: FFV COMPETITIONS

DATE: 13 APRIL 2017

SUBJECT: 2017 COMMUNITY COMPETITIONS FINAL FIXTURE RELEASE

Dear Clubs,

We are pleased to announce the Final Fixture Release for the following leagues:

- Zagame's Women's State Leagues
- BOF.com.au Men's Metropolitan Leagues
- BOF.com.au Men's Metropolitan Masters Leagues
- Sportsmart Junior Girls
- Sportsmart Junior Boys
- ALDI MiniRoos Girls
- ALDI MiniRoos Boys

Whilst we have endeavoured to ensure that all 18 Rounds are now clash free, there may be instances whereby clashes still exist (i.e. two teams kicking off at the same time on the same pitch) due to the sheer volume of reviewing over 38,000 fixtures, coupled with a number of teams withdrawing or changing leagues after the draft fixture release. Should you find a clash at your home venue, we ask that you advise in writing to competitions@ffv.org.au and we will address any clashes for Rounds 1 to 3 immediately, and any clashes post Round 3 during the Regrading Period.

Outside of reasons beyond the control of Clubs (e.g. ground access/conditions or fixture clashes), FFV Competitions will not process any fixture change request that does not comply with Rule 4.7 of the relevant Rules of Competition.

Please note that fixtures for Women's Metro Sevens will be released next week.

Furthermore, please ensure your Club members remain vigilant in checking their fixture in the lead up to Round 1 with a final check on Friday 21 April.

Possible Further Fixture Changes - Late Team Withdrawals

Clubs are urged to inform all coaches, players and their families that there may be changes due to the late withdrawal of teams leading into Round 1. In an effort to minimise the affect of withdrawals on fixtures, where possible, we will look to fill the withdrawal with a late team entry or league change request (at our discretion) to minimise league structure and fixture disruption.

If you need to withdraw a team, please complete the '[Late Team Request](#)' form found online as soon as possible.

Regrading Period

The Regrading Period will take place between Rounds 3 and 4, with a catch-up round scheduled for the weekend between those Rounds. [Click here](#) for the FFV Season Calendar.

Regrading will only be considered in accordance with Regulation 10.6 of the [Junior Regulations](#) and for the following leagues:

- Sportsmart Junior Boys
- Sportsmart Junior Girls
- ALDI MiniRoos Leagues (Boys & Girls)

We urge all Clubs to familiarise themselves with the Regulations that govern regrading and to ensure that all coaches and teams are aware of the regrading process and its application.

A request to regrade will only be considered if it is submitted by 9:00am Tuesday 9 May 2017 and can be submitted via the '[Late Team Request](#)' form found online. Requests to regrade teams via phone and email will not be accepted.

Late Team Requests - New Team or League Change Requests

As communicated previously, we would like to stress that it is not too late to enter new teams. Any late new team entry that is not included for Round 1 of the season, will be included during the Regrading Period after Round 3. Any request for new teams or league changes must be submitted via the '[Late Team Request](#)' form found online.

Please note, all outstanding late team requests to change leagues (including team requests made during and prior to the team entry period) will be reviewed and where applicable processed as per Regulation 10.6 during the Regrading Period. Should you wish to cancel a pending league change request for any of your teams, Clubs must submit an email detailing the request to be cancelled to competitions@ffv.org.au by no later than 9:00am Tuesday 9 May 2017.

If you are unsure of any pending requests to change leagues or teams from your Club, please do not hesitate to contact the Competitions department which can provide a summary of your Club's pending requests that are to be reviewed, and where applicable, actioned during the Regrading Period.

If you require any further information regarding the above, please contact FFV Competitions on 9474 1800 and press 1 at the switchboard, or write to competitions@ffv.org.au.

Kind Regards,



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